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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

— Although the illustrative flame-retardant tubing bundle construction 10 of Figs. 1 and 2 has been described wherein a thermal transfer layer 20 is employed as an innermost layer surround tube bundle 20 30, and as including moisture barrier layer 50 as an outermost layer with jacket 60, other constructions may be envisioned in view of the disclosure contained herein, and as dictated by the requirements of the particular application involved. For example, multiple layers 30, 40, and 50 may be employed within the construction 10.—